

REMARKS

Claims 1, 3- 5, 7-9, 11-13, 15, 16 and 18-20 are all the claims pending in the application.

By this Amendment, Applicant cancels claims 6, 10, 14, and 17 without prejudice or disclaimer.

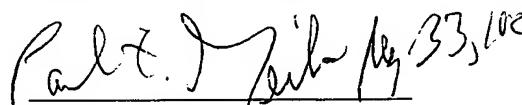
Applicant thanks the Examiner for informing the Applicants on October 31, 2006, that claim 2 might be allowable and that the Examiner would have to conduct a new search to definitively ascertain the allowability of claim 2.

Claim 1 has been amended by adding the possibly allowable subject matter of claim 2 and canceled claim 2.

In view of the above, reconsideration and allowance of this application are now believed to be in order, and such actions are hereby solicited. If any points remain in issue which the Examiner feels may be best resolved through a personal or telephone interview, the Examiner is kindly requested to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

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